

House File 552 - Introduced

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BY COMMITTEE ON STATE
GOVERNMENT

(SUCCESSOR TO HSB 48)

A BILL FOR

1 An Act relating to continuation of or reenrollment in group
2 health insurance by certain children of insureds or
3 enrollees and including applicability and effective date
4 provisions.

5 BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF IOWA:

1 Section 1. Section 509.3, subsection 1, paragraph h, Code
2 2015, is amended to read as follows:

3 h. A provision that the insurer will permit continuation
4 of existing coverage or reenrollment in previously existing
5 coverage for an individual who meets the requirements of
6 section 513B.2, subsection 14, paragraph "a", "b", "c", "d", or
7 "e", and who is an unmarried child of an insured or enrollee
8 who so elects, at least through the policy anniversary date on
9 or after the date the child marries, ceases to be a resident
10 of this state, or attains the age of twenty-five years old,
11 whichever occurs first, ~~or so long as the unmarried child~~
12 ~~maintains full-time status as a student in an accredited~~
13 ~~institution of postsecondary education.~~

14 Sec. 2. Section 509A.13B, Code 2015, is amended to read as
15 follows:

16 **509A.13B Coverage of children — continuation or**
17 **reenrollment.**

18 If a governing body, a county board of supervisors, or a
19 city council has procured accident or health care coverage for
20 its employees under this chapter, such coverage shall permit
21 continuation of existing coverage or reenrollment in previously
22 existing coverage for an individual who meets the requirements
23 of section 513B.2, subsection 14, paragraph "a", "b", "c",
24 "d", or "e", and who is an unmarried child of an insured or
25 enrollee who so elects, at least through the policy anniversary
26 date on or after the date the child marries, ceases to be a
27 resident of this state, or attains the age of twenty-five
28 years old, whichever occurs first, ~~or so long as the unmarried~~
29 ~~child maintains full-time status as a student in an accredited~~
30 ~~institution of postsecondary education.~~

31 Sec. 3. Section 514A.3B, subsection 2, Code 2015, is amended
32 to read as follows:

33 2. An insurer issuing an individual policy or contract
34 of accident and health insurance which provides coverage for
35 children of the insured shall permit continuation of existing

1 coverage or reenrollment in previously existing coverage for
 2 an individual who meets the requirements of section 513B.2,
 3 subsection 14, paragraph "a", "b", "c", "d", or "e", and who
 4 is an unmarried child of an insured or enrollee who so elects,
 5 at least through the policy anniversary date on or after
 6 the date the child marries, ceases to be a resident of this
 7 state, or attains the age of twenty-five years old, whichever
 8 occurs first, ~~or so long as the unmarried child maintains~~
 9 ~~full-time status as a student in an accredited institution of~~
 10 ~~postsecondary education.~~

11 Sec. 4. Section 514B.9A, Code 2015, is amended to read as
 12 follows:

13 **514B.9A Coverage of children — continuation or reenrollment.**

14 A health maintenance organization which provides health care
 15 coverage pursuant to an individual or group health maintenance
 16 organization contract regulated under this chapter for
 17 children of an enrollee shall permit continuation of existing
 18 coverage or reenrollment in previously existing coverage for
 19 an individual who meets the requirements of section 513B.2,
 20 subsection 14, paragraph "a", "b", "c", "d", or "e", and
 21 who is an unmarried child of an enrollee who so elects, at
 22 least through the policy anniversary date on or after the
 23 date the child marries, ceases to be a resident of this
 24 state, or attains the age of twenty-five years old, whichever
 25 occurs first, ~~or so long as the unmarried child maintains~~
 26 ~~full-time status as a student in an accredited institution of~~
 27 ~~postsecondary education.~~

28 Sec. 5. APPLICABILITY. This Act applies to policies,
 29 contracts, or plans of accident or health care coverage
 30 delivered, issued for delivery, continued, or renewed in this
 31 state, on or after January 1, 2016.

32 Sec. 6. EFFECTIVE DATE. This Act takes effect January 1,
 33 2016.

34 **EXPLANATION**

35 The inclusion of this explanation does not constitute agreement with

1 the explanation's substance by the members of the general assembly.

2 This bill relates to continuation of or reenrollment of
3 certain children of insured enrollees in accident or health
4 care coverage. The bill deletes a provision that requires
5 certain accident or health care coverage to permit an unmarried
6 child of an insured or enrollee to continue or reenroll in such
7 coverage so long as the unmarried child is a full-time student
8 in an accredited institution of postsecondary education.

9 The provisions of the bill take effect January 1, 2016, and
10 are applicable to policies, contracts, or plans of accident or
11 health insurance delivered, issued for delivery, continued, or
12 renewed in this state on or after January 1, 2016.